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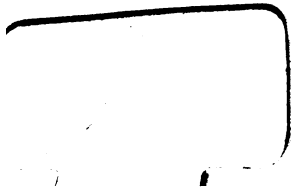
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FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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NEW BUILDING. FROM THE ARCHITECT'S DRAWING.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**OF THE**  
**FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**OF THE**  
**CITY OF NEW HAVEN, CONN.,**  
**FOR THE YEAR**  
**1908.**



## DIRECTORS OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

1908.  

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NAMES.	TERM EXPIRES.
HON. JAMES B. MARTIN, Mayor, <i>ex-officio</i> .	
PRESIDENT.	
SAMUEL R. AVIS,	January, 1911.
SECRETARY.	
THOMAS M. PRENTICE,	January, 1909.
ASSISTANT SECRETARY.	
ANDREW P. ALLEN,	January, 1909.
TREASURER.	
BENJAMIN R. ENGLISH,	January, 1911.
S. B. SHONINGER,	January, 1910.
REV. J. A. TIMM,	January, 1909.
REV. J. D. COYLE,	January, 1910.
REV. WATSON L. PHILLIPS, D.D.,	January, 1910.
T. H. LINAHAN.	January, 1911.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**For the Year 1908.**

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*To His Honor, the Mayor of the City of New Haven:*

The Board of Directors of the Free Public Library have the honor to present the following report for the year 1908:

The number of volumes added to the Library during the year was 6,229. The total discarded, exchanged, "lost and paid for" was 1,596; making the total net additions 4,633, and the total in the Library at the end of the year 90,567 volumes (see Librarian's Report).

The total circulation for 1908, as shown by the report of the Librarian, was 411,412, as against 337,878 the previous year,—an increase of 73,534, or about 22%. This increased demand we have met as best we could with the means at our disposal.

Your attention is invited to the Librarian's report, especially under the heads of "Economy" and "Limited Resources." In fact, it may be noted that all through the report of the work done in this department of the City Government there is evidence of lack of means to do it as thoroughly as it should be done; and there is evidence also that the Library is moving backward rather than forward, as we would be glad to be able to report.

One instance of this is the suspension of the publication of the Bulletin, which furnished the only medium through which to inform the public of the new titles added to the Library.

Another instance is the falling off of the number of books added to the Library. The total number added from all sources the past year was 6,229—25% less than 1907. and 40% less than 1906.

Of course the income from the Marett and Bennett funds is constant and cannot be used for any other purpose than the purchase of books; but it is not sufficient to supply all the books that are needed. Any books in addition to this supply must come from the City appropriations.

The character of our population is cosmopolitan as in most cities, and there is an increasing demand for books in the various languages spoken by these adopted citizens. This is a demand we feel that we are bound to meet,—the books selected treating largely of our own government and institutions, of which our newly made citizens are eager to learn. We have very recently been obliged to delay the purchase of lists of books in the Lithuanian and Swedish languages for lack of funds. There are also mentioned in the Librarian's report "books for the schools, technical books," and others that we have been unable to supply, as well as replacement of those worn out; and as this item is suspiciously small for the past year, it is probable that for the coming year the number will be greatly increased, doubled probably.

In 1905 the City appropriation for the Library was \$20,000; in 1906 it was \$19,000; and in 1908, \$19,500. There has been practically no increase in the appropriation since 1905. During this time the number of volumes in the Library has increased from 74,563 to 90,569—about 16,000 volumes, or 22%, and the circulation in the same time has increased from 300,000 to 411,500—or 37%.

The average salaries paid the Library force, including Librarian, Assistant and Reference Librarian, and Janitor, the past year was \$495. With above named left out the average salaries are \$368, the lowest paid in the City. To bring this average up to the lowest paid department in the City other than this there would have to be added about 80%. Mention is made of this to show that the Library is managed with the closest possible economy.

We were only able to expend for books out of the City appropriation for the past year \$947, or \$2,000 less than the year previous and \$1,700 less than 1906. In other words we are getting practically nothing out of the appropriation to expend for books, and what we have used we were obliged to obtain by crippling the Library in some other direction.

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It thus appears that unless the City comes to the relief of the Library its uses must be abridged and its value as a factor in the problem of public education, enlightenment and entertainment greatly impaired.

We earnestly urge attention to this vital matter.

We are pleased to report the adoption of the plans for the new Library building, and are therefore able to include in this report an account of the accommodations to be provided in the building, which follows:

There will be three floors in the main building and six floors in the stack building. On the main floor, which will be reached by an easy flight of steps and terraces, will be the Delivery room—45 feet square. On the east side of the Delivery room will be the Open Shelf room—99x24 feet; on the west side will be the Reference room, of the same dimensions. Above the Reference room will be the Periodical reading room, of the same dimensions; and on the other side of the second floor the Art and Exhibition room, also 99x24 feet. The Children's room is on the ground floor, the main part being 99x24 feet, with an extension on one side 45x18 feet; the principal entrance will be from Temple street. This will be one of the largest children's rooms in the country, which we regard as one of the finest features of this building. The newspaper reading room will be 27½x24 feet, located on the ground floor, with an entrance from the outside as well as from the inside. With the exception of two study rooms these are all the public rooms of the building except one room yet unassigned. For the administration are the following: Bindery, 44x44; Packing room, 44x27; Shipping room, 25x18; Staff locker rooms and Lunch room; Cataloguing room, 29x18; Librarian's room, 17x9½ (irregular in shape); Director's room, 18x12; several storerooms, etc. The boiler and engine rooms and ventilating fans are in a sub-basement.

The death of Mrs. Mary E. Ives occurred last winter; upon which the Board adopted the following resolutions:

We, the Board of Directors of the Free Public Library, do hereby resolve, that

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from this life Mrs. Mary E. Ives; and

WHEREAS, she has by her many gifts of love endeared herself to the citizens of New Haven; and

WHEREAS, she was not permitted to see the completion of the new library which was her dearest wish and which she made possible by her munificent gift;

*Be it resolved*, That we deeply regret her death as a great loss to our city. She will be held in grateful memory by the present and future generations through the gift which she has bestowed on her adopted city. In the new library she has erected a monument which will do honor to her memory and stimulate others to follow her example.

*Resolved*, That as a token of respect the Free Public Library be closed during the hours of the funeral services; and that, as a further mark of respect, we attend the obsequies in a body. And be it further

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, and a copy of the same be sent to her family and a copy given to the Press.

By her will the Library was made residuary legatee.

The Board reserved \$15,000 for the purpose of furnishing the new building and authorized the expenditure of the remainder upon the new building.

For further details of the operation and expenditures of the Library we respectfully refer you to the reports of the Treasurer and the Librarian.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board.

SAMUEL R. AVIS,  
*President, and Chairman Finance Committee.*

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF NEW HAVEN.  
**TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT,**  
**1908.**

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*To the Board of Directors of the Free Public Library of New Haven:*

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit the following report of the receipts and expenditures of the Free Public Library for the year ending December 31, 1908:

SUMMARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1907 .....	\$ 2.07	
City Appropriation for 1908.....	19,500.00	
Membership fees from non-residents.....	52.50	
Fines and sale of publications.....	1,394.18	
Duplicate collection profits .....	39.03	
Income of Maret Fund, available for book purchases .....	2,943.60	
Income of Bennett Fund, available for book purchases .....	212.32	
Balance of same from 1907 .....	130.58	
I. Hershman, waste paper .....	4.85	
		\$24,279.13

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries, library service .....	\$12,488.35	
Salaries, janitor service .....	889.00	
Books, exclusive of duplicate collection.....	4,100.15	
Binding .....	2,450.37	
Furniture and repairs .....	371.61	
Periodicals and newspapers .....	915.47	
Lighting .....	1,247.86	
Fuel .....	722.95	
Miscellaneous .....	959.44	
Balance on hand, general fund.....	7.72	
Balance on hand, Bennett fund .....	.46	
Balance on hand, Maret fund .....	125.75	
		\$24,279.13

## EXPENDITURES IN DETAIL.

## SALARIES.

W. K. Stetson .....	\$2,166.68	
T. H. Smith .....	1,083.30	
Miss C. E. Herrick .....	782.64	
Mrs. E. H. Trusdell .....	693.18	
Miss Julia Downes .....	596.00	
Miss G. F. White .....	685.18	
Miss M. L. Hendrick .....	594.15	
Miss N. M. Warner .....	494.66	
Miss J. E. Studley .....	445.00	
Miss E. G. Thomas .....	492.66	
Miss M. E. Cooper .....	483.06	
Miss R. W. Parker .....	409.34	
Miss Florence Russell .....	877.23	
Miss A. D. Dunn .....	90.64	
Miss E. C. Cutting .....	9.20	
M. L. Baldwin .....	650.00	
F. H. Nettleton .....	261.55	
H. J. Moakley .....	287.88	
Edward McDonough .....	266.19	
A. D. Holmes .....	163.33	
W. H. Hitchings .....	181.48	
F. J. Morton .....	212.94	
J. S. Hutchinson .....	218.67	
V. A. McDonough .....	219.81	
J. M. Stetson .....	33.70	
G. A. Stetson .....	87.88	
		<u>\$12,488.35</u>
T. F. Hare .....	780.00	
John Killoy .....	69.00	
Extra janitor service .....	40.00	
		<u><u>\$13,377.35</u></u>

## BOOKS.

## GENERAL FUND.

American Academy of Political and Social Science .....	\$ 10.00
American School of Correspondence .....	9.21
American Technological Society .....	21.00
John R. Anderson Co. ....	19.38
The Baker & Taylor Co.....	288.97
Cedric Chivers .....	12.03
Harper & Brothers .....	11.40
Houghton, Mifflin & Co. ....	16.63
Howard Publishing Co. ....	2.50
W. H. Humiston .....	97.39

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The Edward P. Judd Co. ....	\$912.16
C. A. Koehler & Co. ....	44.01
McDevitt-Wilson .....	24.38
E. A. MacFadden .....	2.06
Max N. Maisel .....	38.52
The Edw. Malley Co.....	91.70
A. N. Marquis & Co. ....	3.50
P. Murphy & Son .....	4.80
The Pease-Lewis Co. ....	12.64
Republican Publishing Co. ....	4.00
Ritter & Flebbe .....	28.90
Charles Scribner's Sons .....	9.00
G. E. Stechert & Co.....	340.66
The System Co. ....	27.55
F. Tocchi .....	2.05
The H. W. Wilson Co. ....	5.32
A. D. Worthington Co. ....	2.75
George E. Wright .....	5.00

\$2,047.51

Charged to Bennett Fund ..... 160.41

\$1,887.10

SUMMARY OF BOOK PURCHASES.

From Marette Fund income .....	\$2,817.85
From Bennett Fund income .....	342.44
From receipts from duplicate collection.....	947.24
From City appropriation .....	939.86

Total amount expended for books..... \$5,047.39

BOOKS.

MARETT FUND.

Detailed statement given below.

BENNETT FUND.

Statement given below.

BINDING BOOKS.

Robert Brooks .....	\$1,424.67
James Brown .....	6.73
Francesco Criscuolo .....	94.05
John E. Demander .....	513.72
Ferdinand Kuster .....	59.10
Michael Packtor .....	352.10

\$2,450.37



## FURNITURE AND REPAIRS.

J. D. Bartley, book rests.....	\$ 6.00
Chamberlain Furniture and Mantel Co., furni- ture .....	13.44
George W. Dean, carpentry .....	59.21
James M. English, gas pendants.....	4.80
F. E. Fowler, cuspidors .....	5.00
W. W. Gale & Co., electric fan, and repairs.....	14.25
F. S. Kain, map .....	4.00
Library Bureau, card case .....	15.00
Menzies & Menzies, plumbing and repairs to roof.	110.53
Merrels, Cross & Beardsley, painting.....	55.40
Rowland Machine Co., turnstile plates .....	10.40
J. P. Smith & Co., waste basket.....	1.00
Sperry & Treat Co., mason work .....	30.44
Isaac Teasdale, steam fitting .....	16.85
The Window Shade Co., linoleum .....	25.29
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	\$371.61

## PERIODICALS AND NEWSPAPERS.

American Library Association Publishing Board.	\$ 1.00
Ave Maria .....	1.60
Boston Transcript .....	9.00
Bradstreet Co. ....	4.00
Bridgeport Standard .....	3.00
Luther H. Cary, manager.....	3.00
Chautauqua Institute .....	3.60
Thomas Chew, Treasurer .....	1.00
Connecticut News Co. ....	104.40
W. B. Dana & Co. ....	9.00
Eaton & Mains .....	1.50
Engineering News Publishing Co. ....	4.00
Engineers' Society of Western Pennsylvania....	1.00
Funk & Wagnalls Co. ....	5.00
Herman Goldberger .....	589.21
Journal of the Franklin Institute .....	3.75
The Lutheran .....	1.00
McGraw Publishing Co. ....	4.80
Massachusetts Magazine .....	2.00
Motor Boat Publishing Co. ....	1.50
New Haven Journal-Courier .....	12.00
New Haven Evening Leader .....	12.00
New Haven Palladium .....	11.66
New Haven Register .....	24.00
Out West Magazine Co. ....	1.50

Stephen D. Peet .....	\$ 3.50	
Profitable Advertising .....	1.40	
Providence Journal .....	6.00	
G. E. Stechert & Co. ....	74.00	
University of Chicago Press .....	8.05	
Waterbury American .....	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$915.47

## LIGHTING.

The Bradley Co., lamps and mantles.....	\$ 26.50	
The New Haven Gas Light Co, gas and arc light maintenance .....	478.21	
The New Haven Gas Lamp Co., lamps and man- tles .....	28.47	
Julius Laske, lamps and mantles.....	8.15	
F. Levine, lamps.....	8.00	
Perennial Bright Mantle Co., lamps and man- tles .....	88.70	
United Illuminating Co., electric current and wiring .....	609.83	
	<hr/>	\$1,247.86

## FUEL.

F. A. & D. R. Alling, coal .....	\$145.00	
The Warner-Miller Co., coal .....	577.95	
	<hr/>	\$722.95

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

American Library Association, membership dues.	\$ 5.00
A. L. A. Publishing Board, book lists.....	2.00
Arabol Manufacturing Co., glue.....	1.00
J. E. Bassett, hanging bell .....	4.50
The John E. Bassett & Co., hardware sundries..	7.23
The Boyle Chemical Co., furniture polish ....	6.00
The Chatfield Paper Co., cardboard .....	3.60
J. C. Dana, Chairman, subscription.....	10.00
J. J. Dinnan, repairs to library telephone.....	9.40
Elm City Manufacturing Co., chair seats.....	1.10
C. W. Evans & Co., wool dusters .....	6.75
Finola Mfg. Co., "finola".....	12.00
Gamble-Desmond Co., cloth and paper.....	37.06
H. M. Hodges & Bro., paste and "dethtodust"..	39.30
F. A. Holden, stereographs .....	20.82
Hygienic Ice Co., ice .....	30.68
W. F. Knapp & Co., cleaning rug.....	2.00

Librarian of Congress, printed catalogue cards.	\$ 40.00	
The Edw. Malley Co., clock.....	1.39	
W. G. Maltby, furnace tools.....	3.30	
J. J. Mason, rubber stamps.....	1.95	
M. A. Moran, brushes, dusters, mops.....	107.15	
John C. Morton, cleaning up lot at Elm and Temple streets .....	4.00	
New Haven Typewriter Exchange, repairs to typewriting machines .....	3.60	
Norton Extension Stepladder Co., stepladder.....	8.00	
Frank S. Platt, grass seed .....	1.00	
J. E. Post, dusters .....	3.00	
J. R. Rembert & Co., stationery .....	6.75	
J. P. Smith & Co., iron work.....	1.55	
S. N. E. Telephone Co., telephone rental.....	34.73	
M. Spencer, removing ashes .....	39.75	
W. K. Stetson, petty cash .....	307.68	
W. K. Stetson, stamped envelopes .....	42.48	
W. K. Stetson, travelling expenses .....	83.89	
Thompson & Belden, paint.....	4.08	
Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor, printing bulletins..	51.90	
M. A. Udell Specialty Co., "dethtodust".....	9.80	
Underwood Typewriter Co., repairs to typewriting machine .....	5.00	
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		\$959.44

## MARETT FUND.

## RECEIPTS.

Income from investments, 1908.....	\$3,230.00
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## EXPENDITURES.

Paid for books purchased in 1907.....	\$ 154.93	
Paid for books purchased in 1908.....	2,817.85	
Cost of re-investments, 1908.....	131.47	
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	\$3,103.25	
Balance on hand .....	125.75	
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		\$3,230.00

## BOOK PURCHASES, MARETT FUND, 1908.

William Abbatt .....	\$ 3.55
A. L. A. Publishing Board .....	3.85
American Educational Co. ....	3.50
John R. Anderson Co. ....	145.48
The Baker & Taylor Co. ....	377.81

H. H. Ballard .....	\$ 1.62	
The Boston Book Co.....	8.25	
Cedric Chivers .....	19.46	
Commercial Publishing Co. ....	7.50	
Dodd, Mead & Co. ....	4.00	
Thomas J. Donlan .....	14.05	
Engineering Magazine .....	2.00	
Grosset & Dunlap .....	15.00	
C. S. Hammond & Co. ....	3.00	
C. S. Himebaugh .....	13.50	
Home Publishing Co. ....	1.10	
W. H. Humiston .....	229.49	
H. R. Hunting Co. ....	19.25	
The Edward P. Judd Co.....	1,029.64	
C. A. Koehler & Co. ....	86.45	
Lemcke & Buechner .....	65.30	
C. H. Loomis .....	1.00	
The Edw. Malley Co. ....	289.19	
The National Educational Association .....	2.00	
The New England Historic and Genealogical Society .....	15.00	
George F. Newcomb .....	10.00	
The Pease-Lewis Co. ....	2.02	
The Price & Lee Co. ....	4.00	
Rand, McNally & Co. ....	20.00	
Charles Scribner's Sons .....	15.35	
G. E. Stechert & Co. ....	496.21	
Teachers' College .....	4.00	
F. Tocci .....	5.96	
Mrs. W. K. Townsend .....	75.00	
M. A. Vinson .....	5.35	
The H. W. Wilson Co. ....	1.00	
		\$2,999.88
Charged to Bennett Fund income .....		182.03
		<hr/> \$2,817.85

## BENNETT FUND.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1907 .....	\$130.58	
Income from investments, 1908.....	212.32	
	<hr/>	\$342.90

## CITY OF NEW HAVEN.

## EXPENDITURES.

For books, on account of payments made from general fund .....	\$160.41	
For books, on account of payments made from Marett Fund .....	182.03	
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	\$342.44	
Balance on hand .....	.46	
	<hr/>	\$342.90

## DUPLICATE COLLECTION.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1907 .....	\$145.19	
Receipts from rental of books, 1908 .....	986.27	
	<hr/>	\$1,131.46

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid for books, 1908 .....	\$947.24	
Balance to credit of duplicate collection .....	184.22	
	<hr/>	\$1,131.46

Number of volumes in duplicate collection, January 1, 1909 .....	372
Number of volumes added in 1908 .....	977
Number of volumes transferred to main collection in 1908 .....	801

All of which is respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN R. ENGLISH,  
*Treasurer.*

January 28, 1909.

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN FOR 1908.

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*To the Board of Directors of the Free Public Library:*

The report of the Librarian for 1908 is presented herewith:

### ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

Added by purchase .....	4,487	volumes.
“ “ gift .....	599	“
“ “ binding .....	310	“
“ “ exchange .....	32	“
“ from duplicate pay collection .....	801	“
 Total .....	 6,229	 “
Discarded .....	1,552	“
Exchanged .....	17	“
Lost and paid for .....	27	“
	<hr/> 1,596	“
Net additions .....	4,633	“
Previously reported .....	85,934	“
 Total number at end of year.....	 <hr/> 90,567	 “

Books missing on inventory have not been deducted from the total, as there is a possibility that the missing volumes may appear. The number added was 1,647 less than the previous year, and 2,397 less than two years ago. This decrease in the number of books which could be bought was severely felt the past year. Several important requests were unfilled, among them books for the schools, technical books, books in Lithuanian and in Swedish, and replacement of missing books. It is highly desirable that \$2,000 more be secured for the annual purchase of books. The demands upon the Library for new books are much more numerous and pressing than they have been heretofore, and cannot be met with the present resources.

For some reason during the past year the number of books discarded, mostly because worn out, was much smaller than usual,—

about two-thirds as many. This made the number to be replaced correspondingly smaller, and hence there was less money diverted from the purchase of new titles. Whether this will prove to be so in the future, time alone will show. But several hundred volumes usually replaced were not replaced last year, throwing that burden on this year's expenditures; and it can hardly be expected that there will be as many new titles added the present year.

The following table gives the number of books in each class either added as duplicates, or replacements of discarded books both adult and juvenile, as well as the number of each class discarded. It will be seen that the total number of duplicates was 1,357—22 less than the previous year. The number of volumes to replace discarded books was 1,231—1,330 less than the previous year. The number of volumes discarded was 1,532—568 less than the previous year.

	Duplic- ates.		Replace- ments.		Dis- carded.		Ex- changed.	Adult. —Added.	Juvenile. —Added.	1908.—Total Added.	1907.—Total Added.	Decrease or Increase.
	Adult.	Juvenile.	Adult.	Juvenile.	Adult.	Juvenile.						
General.....	..	5	3	..	11	3	..	365	36	401	246	+155
Philosophy...	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	42	3	45	66	—21
Theology.....	..	3	1	5	1	14	..	141	20	161	197	—36
Sociology.....	3	12	..	60	30	82	..	321	82	403	585	—182
Philology.....	..	2	1	11	1	1	..	39	13	52	135	—83
Science.....	2	12	2	26	8	28	..	136	60	196	376	—180
Useful Arts...	2	1	3	7	17	9	..	372	26	398	523	—125
Fine Arts....	1	12	7	12	11	14	..	298	50	348	429	—81
Literature...	3	93	9	97	15	109	..	258	292	550	631	—81
Foreign.....	..	..	12	..	10	..	..	233	..	233	526	—293
Travel.....	4	19	..	37	2	28	..	201	79	280	322	—42
Biography...	1	29	..	16	2	19	..	197	59	256	283	—27
History.....	7	36	2	30	..	25	..	184	98	282	324	—42
Fiction.....	889	220	293	596	518	594	..	1,685	939	2,624	3,333	—709
Total, 1908..	913	444	334	897	726	826	17	4,472	1,757	6,229	7,976	—1,747
	1,357		1,231		1,552							
Total, 1907..	1,379		2,561		2,320					7,976		

## DUPLICATE PAY COLLECTION.

The number of volumes added the past year was 978, an increase of 78 over the previous year. The amount expended was \$947.15; the receipts were \$986.18; 801 volumes were transferred to the general collection. Nearly one-half the fiction added to the main collection was paid for by the rentals of this collection. From the point of view of those who seek current fiction, it appears that there were nearly 2.8 times as many copies of recent novels as there would have been without the supply which comes from this collection.

## NUMBER OF BORROWERS.

There were 10,448 cards issued, aside from those issued to non-residents for pay. This was an increase of 1,411 over the number issued the previous year. Added to the total for last year the number of cards in force at the end of the year was 19,485. This makes the average number of books taken by each card holder a little less than twenty during the year.

## GIFTS.

A list of those giving books and other publications to the Library during the year is given as an appendix to this report. As in former years, Hon. Nehemiah D. Sperry has been very kind in securing public documents which we have desired to get. The publishers of the Union have presented two copies daily, continuing their gift of many years. From the Palladium one copy daily has been received as a gift.



## CIRCULATION.

The following table gives the circulation by months:

MONTH.	Main Collection.	Duplicates.	Lowell House.
January .....	34,395	1,387	1,386
February .....	36,061	1,240	1,353
March .....	35,981	1,163	1,581
April .....	30,807	1,054	1,171
May .....	27,202	886	1,130
June .....	24,949	953	.....
July .....	24,111	924	.....
August .....	25,356	1,033	.....
September .....	25,038	1,207	376
October .....	30,978	1,464	1,285
November .....	31,451	1,202	1,540
December .....	31,087	1,456	1,105
Total .....	357,416	13,969	10,927

## SUMMARY.

Regular library circulation .....	357,416
Duplicate pay collection .....	13,969
Lowell House .....	10,927
School duplicates, estimated .....	29,100
Grand Total .....	411,412
Last year .....	337,878
Increase .....	73,534

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

CLASS.	Volumes, Adult.	Volumes, Juvenile.	Total.	Per cent.
Philosophy .....	1,558	69	1,627	.5
Religion .....	2,872	950	3,822	1.
Sociology .....	3,586	4,889	8,475	2.3
Language .....	1,035	27	1,062	.3
Science .....	3,890	3,232	7,122	1.9
Useful arts .....	6,003	1,470	7,473	2.1
Fine arts .....	6,929	1,854	8,783	2.4
General literature .....	21,485	6,686	28,171	11.3
Magazines in numbers .....	13,020	254	13,274	
Poetry and drama .....	3,711	1,476	5,187	1.5
Travel .....	5,281	3,510	8,791	2.5
Biography .....	4,515	2,630	7,145	1.9
History .....	4,664	4,300	8,964	2.5
Fiction .....	176,740	70,780	247,520	69.8

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

The musical scores are very much used. This library was among the first to add scores to its collection, and from the beginning of these purchases to the present the use has been extensive. It is quite worth consideration whether a further extension of the department should not be made by the addition of music rolls for automatic piano players, when the funds are available. This has been urged by some of the most intelligent leaders of library thought, and has been tried with success by some libraries. The Washington Public Library had put in 500 rolls at the date of its latest report and reports the experiment entirely satisfactory.

## PICTURE COLLECTION.


For several years more or less attention has been given to collections of pictures, mostly cut from surplus copies of old periodicals. These have been found very useful. There is no question that much more time could be profitably spent in enlarging this collection. Reports from other libraries show that the use and usefulness of such pictures is very great. We also find stereographic pictures much in demand, and additions to our collection of these are very desirable. We also need a large collection of photographs of paintings, of which we have none at present.

## COLLECTION OF TRADE CATALOGUES.

Other libraries that have made collections of trade catalogues find that the collections are much used. We hope that we shall be able to begin the collection before long, and as there is mostly the work of selecting from the vast number available such as would really be wanted, the fullest coöperation of all interested should be sought. Manufacturers and workmen should be informed of the undertaking as far as possible, and their suggestions invited.

## CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

There has not been quite so much current work as usual in the catalogue department in cataloguing new books. But, however, there is much work that would be worth while doing if there were funds to pay for it. There is especial need of replacing written cards in the card catalogue with printed cards from the Library of Congress. A competent trained cataloguer would be fully employed



to the advantage of the library if there were funds for the payment of the salary. There is no regular cataloguer at present.

#### BOOK PREPARATION AND MENDING.

In the recent past and at the present time libraries have found out that the haphazard methods that are the legacy from the past, when few books were purchased in comparison with the present time and when there was not so much wear and tear consequent on poor paper and binding, are methods that are not economical. Such work has usually been done by boys with no special training or fitness for the work. There is really chance for skilled and intelligent work in pasting book-plates, book tags, etc., and in repairing books. Libraries which have been able to employ these improved methods have found the saving quite worth while. It is hoped that we shall be able to adopt some of these methods before we get into the new building. A room for a bindery is provided in the new building, and this will doubtless enable us to improve in this respect.

#### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

The reference department suffers from want of proper room and from its situation on the second floor, defects which will be remedied in the new building. In spite of these deficiencies there is no department of the Library which is doing better work. There are no statistics of the work kept, but the number of questions brought to the reference department is as large in number as bewildering in variety. There are few inquiries which are not satisfactorily attended to by providing sources of information for the inquirer, though at times assistance has been sought from the larger libraries of the country. But it has been noticed that these largest libraries have not often been able to afford much more information than this on the questions in point, showing that this Library has a useful collection of books. Much attention has been given to helping study clubs and debaters in the college and schools, and many books are reserved for the use of High School pupils. A section near the loan desk has been reserved for circulating collections of books on special subjects from time to time of current public interest, recent examples being Donald G. Mitchell, Earthquakes and Volcanoes, Poe, Darwin, Lincoln. These collections are changed as the demand changes and are much used.

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## CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

The following report from Miss White, who is in charge of the Children's room, will give sufficient information regarding that department:

For the annual report to the Board of Directors of the Free Public Library I make the following notes concerning the Young People's Department.

The total circulation of young people's books for the year 1908 being 102,127, the monthly average is 8,510. As there are some 8,500 volumes in the department, this means that theoretically each book is lent every month. Considering this large circulation at the library and the added circulation through the various schools and Lowell House, it is not surprising to have large bills for the re-binding and the replacement of books.

It is not our problem, as in many libraries, how to attract the young people, but rather what to do with the crowds, and how to do it. As a great part of the work is done in the rush hour after school, it is not without some difficulty and confusion, owing to the congested quarters, that from 300 to 511 children's books are exchanged, their reference questions answered, and order maintained.

Although figures do not tell the work of any department, yet to those already given the Children's Librarian would add the estimated number of Sunday visitors. No figures can be verified; but it is known that on Sunday afternoons in fair weather more than 200 volumes are used in the Young People's room. The room is often overcrowded, people even standing to read. The class of visitors is quite unlike the week-day class.

One new activity, and yet one not so new as to be an experiment, is the sending of books to the messenger boys at the Western Union Telegraph station. The books, which are often exchanged, occupy the boys' waiting time; and the manager reports that they have proved of great benefit not only to the boys but to himself also, the office being more quiet and the messages delivered in less time. It is earnestly hoped that the Library may reach many more boys in their places of alternate loitering and work.

A small collection of books is lent to a large club of Italian boys; and some that had been consigned to the storeroom to make room for later and more popular books, have been sent to the boys' club at Yale Hall, Franklin street.

We consider that many classes of young people are influenced by the Library through its various activities week-days and Sundays, through its "virtual" branch at Lowell House, the deposits of books in schools, at clubs, and at places where boys loiter.

Another feature which cannot be shown through statistics is the increasing usefulness of the stereoscopic views. As yet the use is limited to classes, clubs, and schools, for there are not the supervision, time, and place necessary to give this combined form of instruction and pleasure to the Library visitors. The time has passed when libraries confined their attention to the printed page, and now pictorial instruction plays an important part. The great advantage of stereoscopic views over other pictures is that they show the perspective. Whatever money may be spent for additional views will be well spent.

As long as there are no branches in the thickly settled parts of the city that are furthest from the Library, we would recommend that New Haven do for its future citizens what the Western states do for their isolated communities, i. e., provide the so-called traveling libraries. The expense of circulating books in this manner is practically limited to the cost of the books; with four collections of 50 books each, people would be enabled to read 200 books by the exchange of the sets.

It seems worthy of mention that the boys in Cedar Street School have made some 200 envelopes and sundry other articles of stationery for the Library, under the direction of the Supervisor of Manual Training in the public schools.

GERTRUDE F. WHITE,  
*Children's Librarian.*


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## ECONOMY.

It seems to me proper that it should be known that the Library is administered economically, but that this economy is carried to the point of undesirable though necessary cheapness. Economy, of course, is a virtue; at least that is my opinion. I do not know of any library in the country which does not feel obliged to be economical, and make its money go as far as possible. But few libraries are obliged to forego as much as this reasonable and proper expenditures. The dignity of a municipal institution suffers unfortunately if it should not have money enough to do its work in a dignified way. It is to be hoped that the possession of a beautiful new building will of itself give the city government the view that the administration of the Library should be of such a character as to be in harmony with the beauty and dignity of the building. This will mean a very large increase in the City appropriation. I have no doubt that this will be the fact. But I also submit that there is no good reason why some increase of the City appropriation should not be made before occupying the new building, enough at least to maintain the standard of the past. As I have already said the City appropriation does not admit of this at present, but we have fallen behind considerably, and an increase of \$3,000 this year is necessary to put the Library in as good condition as it was two years ago. It should be remembered that there was a twenty per cent. increase in the use of the Library last year.

## BRANCHES AND STATIONS.

It is the universal experience that in order to give all the citizens the benefits of the Library, a central building alone in a city of this size is entirely inadequate. Branch libraries are desirable in which are collections and reading-room, which are indeed small libraries meeting the most insistent wants of the neighborhood. There are also provided in other places less expensive agencies—delivery stations, deposit stations, traveling libraries—all designed to meet reasonable wants of the public. The Board has asked for an appropriation for such purposes for several years without receiving any such appropriation. Still it seems to me that the need should be kept in mind.



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## COÖPERATION WITH THE SCHOOLS.

Although we do something to make the Library useful to school children beside maintaining a Children's room which is crowded beyond measure by them, and supplying many books to outlying schools, we are far from doing what libraries with larger resources are doing. And until more funds are forthcoming I do not see how we can do any more than we are now doing. There is a great opportunity of doing a work with the children of the highest value, and it is much to be regretted that limitations of funds should so restrict us. Many libraries are providing a special room solely for the purpose of aiding the schools, both pupils and teachers, in such ways as a library only can. We issue cards to teachers on which they may have five books at a time to assist them in their teaching, and many teachers have these cards. We also have provision for supplying small collections of books to teachers which they can place in the hands of their pupils. I think teachers who do this are worthy of high commendation, and the Library should be able to supply them with all the books which they can make use of in this desirable way.

## LIMITED RESOURCES.

The limitations of the activities of the Library on account of lack of funds are very great. There are, of course, many libraries which are as unfortunately situated as this one in having inadequate appropriations from the City. And moreover it is no new situation with us. But it ought to be known that it is utterly impossible for this Library to do at all adequately the work which the better public libraries are doing which have better incomes. It is largely a matter of the ability of a library to pay for competent assistants if it is to do its work creditably and adequately. Where a library is known for the excellence of its work it will almost invariably be found that the library is well supported by the municipality. The amount paid for salaries in this Library is hardly more than half of what one would expect such a library to pay in order to do its work properly. And in such a community as New Haven, with the demands that are made upon the Library for books and service, there should be more money for books and periodicals, as well as more money for the staff which is necessary if the books are to be

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made most useful and available to the public. A long catalogue could be made of services which other libraries perform, which can be performed in this Library, either not at all or very imperfectly and inadequately. For example: work with the public schools, everywhere conceded to be of great importance, for which we need more funds for books and the time of an additional member of the staff; means of various kinds by which the library and its books and resources may be brought to the attention of the people who need the benefits of the library: bulletins, book lists, newspaper articles, and many other methods, all taking time or money or both; branch libraries, delivery stations and other agencies to meet the needs of those living too far from the library to visit it easily; a useful arts room which would be convenient for mechanics and artizans and others to consult books relating to trades and industries. As regards the circulation of books this Library stands high; and this is sufficient evidence that all these and other activities not mentioned would meet great needs if they could be begun and maintained.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIS K. STETSON.



# ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1908, YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31.

(Form proposed by A. L. A., 1906.)

Terms of use of Library: Free to residents of the City of New Haven; free to non-residents for reference and reading purposes; charge of \$2 per year, or pro rata for shorter periods, to non-residents for circulation use.

Days open each year: for circulation, 307; for reading and reference, 342.

Hours open each week for lending: 69½.

Hours open each week for reading: October to May inclusive, 77; June to September inclusive, 72.

Number of volumes at beginning of year.....		85,934
Number added during year:		
By purchase .....	4,489	
By gift .....	599	
By magazines bound .....	310	
By exchange .....	32	
By transfer from duplicate collection.....	801	
		<u>6,231</u>
		92,165
Number lost or withdrawn during year:		
Worn out and discarded .....	1,569	
Lost and paid for .....	27	
		<u>1,596</u>
		90,569
Total number at end of year.....		
Number of volumes of fiction lent for home use:		
From main collection .....	247,520	
From duplicate collection .....	13,769	
		<u>261,289</u>

## Total number of volumes lent for home use:

From main collection .....	371,385	
From duplicate collection .....	13,769	
From Lowell House branch.....	10,927	
From school libraries (estimated).....	29,100	
	<hr/>	411,412

Number of new borrowers registered during the year: No record kept as between new cards and renewals; net increase in number of card holders during the year, 1,820; total number of card holders, December 31, 1908, 19,696.

Number of newspapers and periodicals currently received: 310.

Number of persons using the Library for reading and study: no data.

## RECEIPTS FROM

Unexpended balance .....	\$ 132.65	
Local taxation .....	19,500.00	
Endowment funds .....	3,155.92	
Membership fees .....	52.50	
Fines and sale of publications .....	1,394.18	
Duplicate collection profits .....	39.03	
Miscellaneous .....	4.85	
	<hr/>	\$24,279.13

## PAYMENTS FOR

Books .....	\$ 4,100.15	
Periodicals .....	915.47	
Binding .....	2,450.37	
Salaries, library service.....	12,488.35	
Salaries, janitor service.....	889.00	
Heat .....	722.95	
Light .....	1,247.86	
Permanent improvements .....	371.61	
Other expenses .....	959.44	
Balance on hand .....	134.93	
	<hr/>	\$24,280.13

### LIST OF DONORS, 1908.

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Adams, I. W. ....	1 volume
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Allaben, Frank .....	2 volumes
Amherst College .....	Catalogue
Arizona Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Ashton-under-Tyne Corporation Library.....	Report
Baer, Joseph & Cie.....	1 volume
Baltimore, Md., Enoch Pratt Library.....	Report
Bangor & Aroostook Railway .....	1 volume
Bangor, Me., Public Library .....	Report
Bassett, Mrs. N. M.....	1 volume
Bishop, Mrs. T. H.....	115 volumes
Boston, Mass., Museum of Fine Arts.....	Bulletin
Boston, Mass., Port and Seamen's Aid Society.....	Report
Boston, Mass., Public Library.....	Finding lists, report, bulletin
Boston, Mass., Record Commission .....	1 volume
Bowdoin College .....	Catalogue
Bradley, Charles .....	1 volume
Bridgeport, Conn., Public Library.....	Report
Brookline, Mass., Public Library .....	Report, bulletin
Brooklyn, N. Y., Institute .....	1 volume
Brooks, Robert .....	1 volume
Brown, H. C. ....	1 volume
Buffalo, N. Y., Public Library.....	1 volume, report
Bureau of Railway News.....	1 volume
Burlington, Vt., Fletcher Free Library .....	Report, bulletin
California Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Cambridge, Mass., Public Library.....	Report, bulletin
Canada, Census and State Office .....	2 volumes
Canada, Superintendent of Immigration.....	1 volume
Carlisle, Pa., J. Herman Bosler Memorial Library.....	Bulletin
Chicago, Ill., Mayor.....	Report
Chicago, Ill., City Government.....	2 volumes
Chicago, Ill., Field Columbian Museum .....	Bulletin
Chicago, Ill., John Crerar Library.....	Report
Cleveland, O., Public Library .....	Bulletin
Coley, F. C. ....	1 volume

Colorado Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Conference for Education in the South.....	Proceedings
Connecticut, Adjutant-General .....	1 volume
Connecticut, Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Connecticut, Board of Agriculture .....	Report
Connecticut, Bureau of Vital Statistics.....	Report
Connecticut, Commissioner of Labor.....	Report
Connecticut, Public Library Commission .....	Publications
Connecticut, State Board of Education .....	Publications
Connecticut, State Board of Health.....	1 volume
Connecticut, Diocese of .....	Proceedings
Coolidge, Asenath C.....	1 volume
Dartmouth College .....	Catalogue
Dawson, Mrs. Sidney H.....	1 volume
Dayton, O., Public Library and Museum.....	1 volume
De Benneville, James S.....	1 volume
Denver, Colo., Public Library.....	Bulletin
Detroit, Mich., Public Library .....	Report
District of Columbia Public Library.....	Report, bulletin
Dodd, Mead & Co.....	Catalogue of book plates
Dover, N. H., Public Library.....	Bulletin
Eliot, Miss Ruth .....	2 volumes
England, Patent Office .....	13 volumes
Emmet, Thomas Addis .....	2 volumes
Evanston, Ill., Public Library .....	Report
Fitchburg, Mass., City Government.....	2 volumes
Flannery, J. M. ....	1 volume
Florida Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Galveston, Tex., Rosenberg Library.....	Report
Georgia Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Grand Rapids, Mich., Public Library .....	Bulletin
Gyldendal Publishing Co.....	1 volume
Hartford, Conn., Public Library.....	2 volumes
Hartford, Conn., Theological Seminary .....	1 volume
Hawaii Agricultural Experiment Station .....	Bulletins
Hiersemann, Karl W. ....	1 volume
Holyoke, Mass., Public Library .....	1 volume
Heaton, J. Edward.....	2 volumes
Illinois, University of, Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Indiana, Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
International Bureau of the American Republics.....	Bulletin
Iowa, Agricultural Experiment Station .....	Bulletin
Iron Age, Publishers of .....	1 volume
Ives, Mrs Mary E., Estate of .....	8 volumes
Judd, Edward P. Co.....	2 volumes

Jersey City, N. J., Free Public Library.....	Bulletin
Kansas State Agricultural Experiment Station .....	Bulletin
Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Kyprioteles, G. ....	4 volumes
Lake Mohonk Conference .....	1 volume
Lambert, Miss Anna M. ....	1 volume
Lawrence, Mass., Free Public Library.....	Report
Leavitt, E. K.....	1 volume
Library of Congress .....	5 pamphlets, report
Lomba, Ramon Lopez .....	1 volume
Los Angeles, Cal., Chamber of Commerce.....	1 volume
Los Angeles, Cal., Public Library.....	Report
Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Lynn, Mass., Public Library .....	Bulletin
McAleer, J. ....	1 volume
Maine Agricultural Experiment Station .....	Bulletin
Malden, Mass., Public Library.....	Report
Malley, Edw., Company.....	1 volume
Manchester, N. H., City Library.....	Report
Mandell, Max S.....	1 volume
Marshall, William C.....	2 volumes
Maryland Agricultural College .....	Bulletin
Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Massachusetts Bureau of Labor .....	Report, bulletin
Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics.....	1 volume
Massachusetts Gas and Electric Light Commissioners.....	Report
Massachusetts State Forester.....	Report
Merkley, Mrs. D. T. ....	File of Christian Advocate
Michigan State Board of Health.....	Report, bulletin
Michigan, University of .....	1 pamphlet
Milwaukee, Wis., Public Library.....	Report
Minnesota Public Library Commission.....	1 pamphlet
Missouri Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Mix, Miss .....	1 volume
Mount Holyoke College .....	Catalogue
Murray, Thomas Hamilton, Sec-Gen.....	1 volume
National Association of Manufacturers.....	Pamphlet
Nebraska State Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
New Bedford, Mass., Free Public Library.....	Bulletin
New Britain, Conn., Institute .....	Report, reference list
New Haven Bird Club .....	pamphlet
New Haven Board of Education.....	Report
New Haven Chamber of Commerce .....	Pamphlet
New Haven City Clerk .....	4 volumes

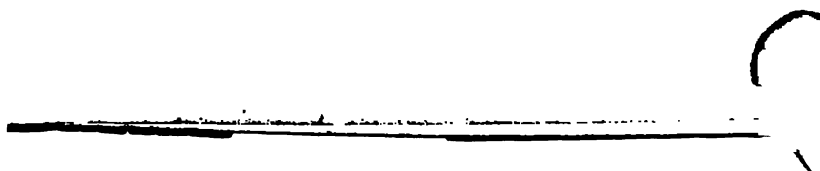
New Haven Public Schools .....	1 pamphlet
New Haven, First Church of Christ, Scientist.....	4 volumes
New Haven, Second Company Governor's Foot Guard.....	1 volume
New Haven, Grace Hospital .....	Report
New Haven, General Hospital Society of Connecticut.....	Report
New Haven, United Church .....	Pamphlet
New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
New York City, General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen.....	Report
New York City, Mercantile Library.....	Report
New York City, Merchants' Association.....	2 volumes
New York City Public Library .....	Bulletins
New York City, Public Schools .....	Pamphlet
New York City, St. Nicholas Society.....	Pamphlet
New York City, Superintendent of Schools.....	Report
New York Society of Colonial Wars.....	1 Pamphlet
New York State Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
New York State Chamber of Commerce .....	1 pamphlet
New York State Department of Education.....	Bulletin
New York State Department of Health.....	Bulletin
New York State Commission on the Blind.....	Report
New York State School for the Blind.....	Report
New York State Library .....	24 volumes
New York State Museum.....	6 volumes
New Orleans, La., Public Library.....	Report
Newark, N. J., Public Library.....	Report
Newton, Mass., Free Library.....	Report
North Adams, Mass., Public Library.....	Report
North Dakota Geological Survey.....	Report
Northampton, Mass., Forbes Library.....	Report
Northampton, Mass., Public Library.....	Report
Norwich, Conn., Otis Library and Peck Library.....	Bulletin
Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Ohio State Librarian .....	1 pamphlet
Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Omaha, Neb., Public Library.....	Bulletin
Osaka, Japan, Public Library.....	Report
Page, L. C. & Co.....	1 volume
Paterson, N. J., Free Public Library.....	Report, bulletin
Peaslee, J. B. ....	1 volume
Pennsylvania Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Peoria, Ill., Public Library .....	Report, bulletin
Perkins Institution .....	Reading list
Philadelphia, Pa., Apprentices Library.....	Report
Philadelphia, Pa., City Institute.....	Report
Philadelphia, Pa., Free Library of.....	Report

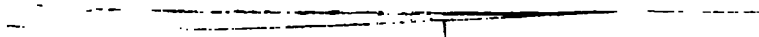
Philadelphia, Pa., Library Company.....	Bulletin
Phoenix Insurance Company .....	1 volume
Quincy, Mass., Thomas Crane Public Library.....	Report, bulletin
Pierce, Mrs. F. W. ....	5 volumes
Pittsburgh, Pa., Carnegie Institute .....	1 volume, pamphlet
Pittsburgh, Pa., Carnegie Library.....	Bulletins
Portland, Me., Public Library.....	Report
Portland, Ore., Library Association.....	Report, bulletin
Porto Rico Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Bulletin
Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Adriance Memorial Library.....	Report
Providence, R. I., Public Library.....	Bulletins
Ray, Miss Anna Chapin .....	1 volume
Raymond, George Lansing .....	3 volumes
Rhode Island Agricultral Experiment Station.....	Bulletins
Roberts, B. H. ....	1 pamphlet
Rockville, Conn., Public Library .....	Bulletin
Russell, Miss Florence .....	2 volumes
Ryder, Ely M. T. ....	20 volumes
St. Joseph, Mo., Public Library.....	Bulletin
St. Mary's Falls, Committee.....	1 pamphlet
St. Louis, Mo., Mercantile Library Association.....	Report
St. Louis, Mo., Public Library.....	Bulletin
St. Louis, Mo., Louisiana Purchase Exposition, Irish Exhibit....	Catalogue
St. Paul, Minn., Public Library.....	Report
Salem, Mass., Public Library .....	Report, bulletin
Salt Lake City, The Men of .....	1 volume
Scranton, Pa., Public Library .....	Report, bulletin
Seattle, Wash., Public Library.....	Report
Seymour, George Dudley .....	10 volumes
Smith, Frances A. ....	1 volume
Smithsonian Institution .....	Publications
Society for the Propagation of the Faith.....	1 pamphlet
Simpkin, Marshall & Co.....	1 volume
Snead & Co. Iron Works .....	1 volume
Somerville, Mass., Public Library .....	Bulletin
S. N. E. Telephone Co.....	Report
Southworth, Mrs. E. B. ....	2 volumes
Sperry, Hon. N. D., M. C.....	46 vols., pamphlets
Springfield, Mass., City Library.....	Bulletin, pamphlet
Sprague, Homer B.....	1 pamphlet
Stanford, Leland, University .....	Catalogue
Stearns, Frank Preston .....	4 volumes
Stone & Webster .....	1 volume
Sullivan, J. W.....	1 volume
Syracuse University .....	Catalogue

Taunton, Mass., Public Library .....	Report, bulletin
Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Tiernan, F. W.....	2 pamphlets
Toronto, Can., Public Library.....	Report
Trenton, N. J., Public Library.....	Report, bulletin
Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.....	Catalogue
Union College, Schenectady, N. Y. ....	Catalogue
Utah Agricultural Experiment Station .....	Publications
Vermont Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Publications
Vermont, University of .....	Catalogue
Walling, W. H. ....	1 volume
Ward, Dr. B. R.....	25 volumes, opera librettos
Warner, C. E. ....	1 volume
Warren, H. C. & Co.....	1 volume
Waterbury, Conn., Bronson Library.....	Report
Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.....	Catalogue, bulletin, pamphlets
Wilbur, S. ....	1 volume
Wilkesbarre, Pa., Osterhout Library.....	1 volume
Wilmington, Del., Institute .....	Report, bulletin
Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station.....	Report, bulletin
Woburn, Mass., Public Library.....	Report
Worcester, Mass., Public Library.....	Report
Wright, Ellen M.....	1 volume
Wyer, J. E. ....	1 volume
Yale University .....	Publications
Unknown donors .....	25 volumes



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ANNUAL REPORT  
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OF THE  
CITY OF NEW HAVEN, CONN.  
FOR THE YEAR  
1905

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**DIRECTORS OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.**  
**1905.**

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NAMES.	TERM EXPIRES -
HON. J. P. STUDLEY, Mayor, Ex-officio Chairman.	
<b>PRESIDENT.</b>	
SAMUEL R. AVIS.....	January, 1908
<b>SECRETARY.</b>	
A. MAXCY HILLER.....	January, 1907
<b>ASSISTANT SECRETARY.</b>	
THOMAS M. PRENTICE.....	January, 1906
<b>TREASURER.</b>	
MINOTTE E. CHATFIELD.....	January, 1908
S. B. SHONINGER.....	January, 1907
BENJAMIN R. ENGLISH.....	January, 1907
F. S. BRADLEY.....	January, 1908
HENRY F. HOSLEY, Alderman.....	January, 1906
THOMAS C. BRACKEN, Alderman.....	January, 1906

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*To His Honor the Mayor of the City of New Haven:*

The Board of Directors of the Free Public Library submit herewith their report for the year 1905.

The number of volumes added to the Library in 1905 was 6,673, being an excess of 448 volumes over the number added in 1904. The number discarded, chiefly because worn out, was 2,952, which is 932 in excess of 1904; making the net number added 3,721 volumes, or 434 less than in the previous year. The total number of volumes now in the Library is 74,563.

The circulation from the Library was 280,843; and, adding an estimated 20,000 from duplicates placed in outlying schools, we have a total circulation of somewhat over 300,000. Further statistical details of the circulation may be found in the report of the Librarian.

About \$2,000 was spent on improvements which seemed to be necessary, especially for additional shelving which was required to avoid the storing of books in the cellar. It is believed that this provides for possibly four years' additions.

Such a condition, however, emphasizes the need, which is yearly becoming more apparent, for more commodious quarters for the proper conduct of the Library. Not only is more room needed for its normal growth, now confined in a building which is rapidly becoming absolutely inadequate, but the continual

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changes and patching required to meet each recurring necessity add to the expenses of management in various ways while rendering it impossible to serve the public with that satisfaction, economy, and method which may reasonably be expected in a city of the size and importance of New Haven. It is certainly to be hoped that the citizens of New Haven and the friends of our Public Library may before long provide for some way of placing it on a footing to compare with similar institutions in other cities.

The report of the Treasurer and the suggestions of the Librarian's report should be carefully considered.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board of Directors.

MINOTTE E. CHATFIELD,  
*Chairman of the Finance Committee.*

## FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF NEW HAVEN, CONN.

## TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1905.

*To the Board of Directors of the Free Public Library of New Haven:*

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit the following report of the receipts and expenditures of the Free Public Library of New Haven for the year ending December 31, 1905:

## RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1. Balance from the year 1904.....	\$	.27	
Received from the City of New Haven.....		20,000.00	
*Received for fines, etc.....		667.78	
			\$20,668.05

## EXPENDITURES.

Salaries .....	\$10,397.08	
Books .....	3,165.04	
(Note.—Expended from the Marett Fund for books, \$2,989.50; total expended for books, \$6,154.54.)		
Binding .....	1,474.31	
Furniture and repairs.....	2,450.56	
Periodicals and newspapers.....	668.26	
Lighting .....	1,050.24	
Fuel .....	639.70	
Miscellaneous expenses .....	820.87	
		\$20,666.06
Balance on hand.....		1.99
		\$20,668.05

\*The receipts for fines, etc., prior to August 1 were paid to the City of New Haven. They amounted to \$502.60.

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## EXPENSES IN DETAIL.

## WAGES.

W. K. Stetson.....	\$1,995.86
T. H. Smith.....	897.50
C. E. Herrick.....	648.36
E. H. Trusdell.....	645.66
Julia Downes .....	537.50
G. F. White.....	554.71
M. L. Hendrick.....	489.74
N. M. Warner.....	415.00
J. E. Studley.....	359.00
E. G. Thomas.....	396.64
M. E. Cooper.....	390.36
R. W. Parker.....	372.10
G. E. Mitchell.....	86.78
M. L. Baldwin.....	535.31
J. J. Tracey.....	199.42
W. D. Kennedy.....	224.48
F. H. Nettleton.....	225.00
H. J. Moakley.....	210.85
Edward McDonough .....	208.10
J. M. Stetson.....	45.08
G. A. Stetson.....	36.77
P. G. Shipley.....	20.85
A. D. Holmes.....	20.40
G. E. Catlin.....	42.07
J. P. Gallivan.....	780.00
Extra help .....	59.54
	<hr/> \$10,;

## BOOKS.

## GENERAL FUND.

J. R. Anderson Co.....	\$ 59.26
The Baker & Taylor Co.....	546.62
C. S. Bernheimer. ....	2.00
Booklovers Librar' .....	25.00
E. G. Bourne.....	45.00
R. R. Bowker... ..	6.00
Cedric Chivers .....	101.51
The Commissioner of Patents.....	36.00
Conference of Charities.....	1.25
De Wolfe, Fiske & Co.....	21.35

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Funk & Wagnalls Co.....	12.00
H. R. Huntting.....	5.00
International Textbook Co.....	44.00
E. W. Johnson .....	26.90
The Edward P. Judd Co.....	713.65
C. A. Koehler & Co.....	24.47
Niel Morrow Ladd Co.....	5.60
The Livingston Press.....	35.00
Longmans, Green & Co.....	37.73
S. F. McLean & Co.....	28.38
Henry Malkan .....	16.77
The Edward Malley Co.....	117.48
J. B. Millet Co.....	8.00
Reed Moyer .....	200.10
National Education Association.....	2.00
New England Historic and Genealogical Society	5.00
The Old Corner Bookstore.....	1.04
J. J. Pauksztis & Co.....	35.92
Peabody Institute .....	4.50
The Pease-Lewis Co.....	75.73
Frank Pergande .....	5.00
Price, Lee & Co.....	4.00
S. M. Richardson.....	3.50
G. E. Stechert & Co.....	876.85
W. R. Wilbur.....	3.23
Yale University Library.....	3.00
Young Men's Institute.....	26.20
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	\$3,165.04

LIGHTING.

M. Bellew, gas mantles.....	\$ 2.20
Silas H. Berry, burners and globes.....	10.00
The Bradley Co., globes and chimneys.....	20.80
The Gamble-Desmond Co., mantles, globes, etc...	10.95
William Keane, mantles.....	2.76
New Haven Gas Light Co., gas.....	418.43
New Haven Gas Light Co., arc lights and main- tenance .....	63.10
United Illuminating Co., electric current.....	519.60
New Haven Gas Light Co., globes, etc.....	2.40
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	\$1,050.24

## BINDING.

J. E. Demander.....	\$32.45	
J. Gliebermann .....	19.50	
M. Packtor .....	45.24	
F. Kuster .....	27.35	
Robert Brooks .....	1,349.77	
	<hr/>	\$1,474.——

## FUEL.

McCusker & Schroeder, coal.....	\$ 31.75	
Spier & Co., coal.....	108.75	
H. M. Tower, coal.....	499.20	
	<hr/>	\$639.——

## PERIODICALS AND NEWSPAPERS.

William Abbatt .....	\$ 5.00	
Boston Transcript .....	9.00	
The Bradstreet Co.....	4.00	
Bridgeport Standard .....	3.00	
Cassier Magazine Co.....	2.50	
P. F. Collier & Son.....	7.00	
Connecticut News Co.....	466.76	
W. B. Dana & Co.....	9.00	
Engineering News Co.....	4.00	
Funk & Wagnalls Co.....	5.00	
Library Bureau .....	7.20	
The McGraw Co.....	2.40	
Municipal Engineering Co.....	2.00	
Munn & Co.....	7.60	
New Haven Journal and Courier.....	6.00	
New Haven Leader.....	12.00	
New Haven Palladium.....	7.50	
New Haven Register.....	24.00	
New York Observer.....	1.50	
Providence Journal .....	6.00	
G. E. Stechert & Co.....	64.05	
Waterbury American .....	8.00	
David Williams Co.....	4.75	
	<hr/>	\$668.26

## FURNITURE AND REPAIRS.

S. H. Berry, bracket for perforating machine....	\$ 5.00
N. T. Bushnell Co., repairing door-check.....	2.25
Chamberlain Furniture and Mantel Co., chairs, etc. ....	29.00
D. H. Clark, carpentry.....	25.61
Connecticut Concrete Co., concreting.....	29.00
B. F. Cummins Co., perforating machine.....	25.00
G. W. Dean, carpentry.....	58.27
J. J. Dinnan, shifting library telephone.....	8.00
G. M. McKenzie, rope for dumb-waiter.....	7.20
Merrels, Cross & Beardsley, painting, etc.....	56.33
Menzies & Menzies, gas fitting, and repairing leaders .....	9.05
National Tradesmens' Bank, electric lamps.....	3.00
P. J. Race & Co., repairing chairs.....	10.40
J. R. Rembert & Co., card catalogue case.....	120.00
W. H. Robertson, building stack.....	1,211.00
W. H. Robertson, carpentry.....	344.39
L. W. Robinson, services as architect.....	60.55
Sperry & Treat, mason work.....	43.05
Isaac Teasdale, steam fitting.....	152.92
United Illuminating Co., electric wiring.....	154.49
Robert Wilson, iron fence.....	69.40
Window Shade Co., cork carpet.....	26.66
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	\$2,450.56

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

A. L. A. Publishing Co., printed catalogue cards	\$ 1.40
The J. E. Bassett & Co., hardware sundries....	18.94
E. G. Bean, brushes and dusters.....	14.65
Robert Brooks, magazine binders.....	8.60
E. A. Burgess Estate, book supports.....	20.35
Case, Lockwood & Brainard, printing.....	11.75
Cedric Chivers, magazine binders.....	8.25
Curtiss & Bradley, mimeograph supplies.....	3.00
Gamble-Desmond Co., sundries.....	11.11
Gaylord Bros., binding tape.....	4.00
Hammond Typewriter Co., repairs to typewrit- ing machines .....	2.46
H. M. Hodges & Bro., paste.....	6.00
Hygienic Ice Co., ice.....	17.26

William Keane, metal polish.....	1.10
Librarian of Congress, printed catalogue cards..	65.00
The "Mac" Co., printing annual report.....	15.00
Edward Malley Co., towelling.....	2.15
W. G. Maltby, blacksmithing.....	3.08
M. A. Moran, brushes.....	6.20
C. H. Ryder, printing bulletin.....	24.00
Edward F. Smith & Co., magazine binders, etc...	20.75
John P. Smith, magazine binders.....	8.40
L. C. Smith Typewriting Co., typewriting machine .....	90.00
T. H. Smith, stamped envelopes.....	10.90
M. Spencer, removing ashes.....	36.00
W. K. Stetson, petty cash.....	228.33
W. K. Stetson, stamped envelopes.....	42.40
W. K. Stetson, travelling expenses.....	112.03
Thompson & Belden, supplies for janitor.....	13.36
Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor, magazine binders..	14.40

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## DUPLICATE LOAN COLLECTION.

Received from rental of books, etc., to Dec. 31...	\$141.20
Value of books on hand Dec. 31—218 volumes @ 50c.....	109.00
Paid for books, etc., for Duplicate collection....	
Excess of receipts over expenditures.....	

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\$25 0.20  
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## PHILIP MARETT LIBRARY FUND.

### RECEIPTS.

Received from City Treasurer, custodian of Marett Fund .....	\$2,983.50
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### EXPENDED FOR BOOKS.

American Society for University Extension Teaching .....	\$ 1.80
Ammon & Mackel.....	3.20
Athenian Society .....	173.10
John R. Anderson Co.....	184.22
The Baker & Taylor Co.....	438.02
Booklovers Library .....	6.00
B. F. Buck.....	4.35
Burnham Antique Bookstore.....	1.94
Cedric Chivers .....	194.57
Grace D. Clarke.....	4.25
Connecticut News Co.....	1.50
R. Davis .....	33.00
Desmond Publishing Co.....	16.20
Friderici & Gareis.....	1.18
The Funk & Wagnalls Co.....	6.00
The Edward P. Judd Co.....	472.09
W. H. Kingsbury.....	6.00
C. A. Koehler & Co.....	12.21
C. F. Libbie & Co.....	38.15
Longmans, Green & Co.....	24.09
Joseph McDonough .....	2.52
S. F. McLean & Co.....	23.88
Henry Malkan .....	116.82
The Edward Malley Co.....	178.63
Reed Moyer .....	171.99
The Pease-Lewis Co.....	80.59
Publishers' Weekly .....	4.00



Smith & Wilkins.....	9.78
Stager's Book Lovers' Exchange.....	2.95
James H. Stark.....	6.55
G. E. Stechert & Co.....	737.83
A. C. Stevens.....	2.00
The Treat & Shepard Co.....	3.75
University of Chicago Press.....	6.34
The H. W. Wilson Co.....	20.00
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	\$2,989.5

All of which is respectfully submitted,

MINOTTE E. CHATFIELD,  
*Treasurer.*

January 30, 1906.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1905.


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*To the Board of Directors of the Free Public Library of New Haven:*

I have the honor to present the annual report of the Librarian for the year 1905.

The most noteworthy event of the past year of the library's history was the improvements of the internal arrangements of the library. The sum expended was not large. But considering the relief afforded from the conditions which had become almost intolerable, this small sum expended accomplished a great deal.

In the first place the addition to the stack affords room for some growth; not much to be sure, perhaps for four years additions of books. But without this addition to the accommodations, quite a good many books would have to be stored in the cellar. The stack however simply provides for storage, and in such poor natural light that the electric lights have to be turned on when ever any one uses the books, with consequently increased bills for lighting. The cutting of an arch and removal of partitions between the North gallery and the periodical reading room and the flooring over of a back staircase hall have provided a place for an attendant who can look after both the reference room and the periodical room. It is a convenient and well lighted desk and the need of it has heretofore been severely felt. It has also been possible by removing the bookcases which formerly were near the children's room to enlarge this room. The added accommodations were badly needed, and the additional space affords much relief. Another gain has been new quarters for the Cataloguing department. This department has always worked under serious disadvantages; and the new large and well lighted quarters are quite satisfactory and very welcome to those who work in them.



Another gain is the Librarian's office, provided by removing the back stairway, and substituting a window for the outside door. Also the Directors' room is no longer used by the cataloguers. The registration desk was moved to a better lighted position in the corner of the main room. The basement has also been put into shape for use by partitioning off a room and placing steam pipes to heat it. This provides for the books going and returning from the book binders, and for storage of such books as the Congressional Record.

More room for readers has been obtained in the reading room by placing the tables nearer together. The lighting of this room has also been improved by the substitution of Humphry arc lights for the individual table lights. In other parts of the library the gas lights have been made more effective by the use of holophane shades. In some cases these shades have made a very poor light a good one, and in certain situations are indispensable.

Of course the mere statement that the stack does not provide for more than four years' growth is sufficient to indicate the inadequacy of the present building. It is equally obvious that the lack of sufficient room greatly hampers the work of the library. It is quite evident that conditions on the whole are all the time getting worse in spite of the palliative measures. It is generally understood, I suppose, that the only satisfactory solution of the difficulty would be a new building.

#### GROWTH OF THE LIBRARY.

The number of new books added was 6,673. Of this number 5,466 were bought, 834 were given, 52 were obtained in exchange, and 321 were bound from files of current periodicals, ets. Two thousand nine hundred and fifty-two volumes were discarded, mainly books worn out in service, and some pamphlets bound into volumes. This makes the net number added 3,721 volumes, bringing the total in the library to 74,563. This is properly the number on the class list, without deducting for missing books. Books which have been missing for long periods reappear from time to time; and those missing are still reckoned on that account as belonging to the library. The number of books unaccounted for, or missing, including the inventory of

1904, is 2,207. The character of books added during the year was much as usual.

Since the publishers inaugurated the net system books have cost more than they used to. The average cost per volume last year was \$1.15. Hence it is seen that the number of costly books added was not large.

#### CIRCULATION.

The circulation from the library by months was as follows:

January .....	27,741
February .....	27,504
March .....	28,670
April .....	24,105
May .....	21,305
June .....	19,003
July .....	18,627
August .....	18,996
September .....	20,797
October .....	23,742
November .....	25,297
December .....	25,056

#### CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table gives the number of volumes circulated and the percentage of each class.

	Adult.	Juvenile.	Total.	Percentage.
Philosophy .....	1,501	58	1 559	.005
Religion and mythology .....	3,020	763	3,783	.013
Sociology, etc. ....	3,427	2,620	6,047	.022
Language .....	842	240	1,082	.003
Natural sciences .....	4,125	2 865	6 990	.024
Useful arts.....	5,333	1,339	6,675	.023
Fine arts including amusement.....	6,330	1 072	7,402	.026
Geography and travel.....	6,022	3,139	9 161	.032
Biography.....	4,206	2,264	6 470	.024
History.....	4,625	4,015	8,650	.037
General literature. }				
Magazines in numbers }	27,170	4,941	32 111	.114
Poetry and drama.....	3,067	1,074	4,641	.016
Adult fiction.....	129 058	.....	129 058	.459
Juvenile fiction .....	.....	57 224	57 224	.204

Total.....	280,843
School circulation .....	20 000
Duplicate collection .....	1 310
	302,153

The library circulation was 15,027 volumes less than last year. Four-fifths of this was fiction. The whole decrease in adult fiction was 11,756 volumes; in juvenile fiction 330 volumes. The decrease in adult non-fiction was 2,366 volumes; in juvenile non-fiction it was 575 volumes. The decrease in the circulation of children's books at the library was more than counterbalanced by the increase of the circulation through the schools.

#### NUMBER OF BORROWERS.

The number of new cards issued to borrowers, including renewals, was 8,532. The number issued the previous year was 8,954, making the total number in force 17,486. A new departure in the case of school children was made by dispensing with the parent's signature on the application of school children and substituting instead, when desired, the signature of the teacher. This has simplified the routine, especially in the case of children of foreign speaking parents. It has also been found a great relief to give out cards to school children only on Saturdays in term time. Before this arrangement the labor of giving out cards after school was a serious strain on the staff in addition to the other work which had to be done at the same time.

The total number of cardholders decreased as one would expect in connection with a decrease in the circulation. Each card holder borrowed on the average 18 books during the year.

#### GIFTS.

Hon. N. D. Sperry has given a large number of public documents during the year. Other gifts of books are noted in the list appended to this report. Copies of the Journal and Courier, The Palladium, The Union and The Saturday Chronicle have been given by the publishers. The office file of the Evening Leader has been deposited in the library, and is accessible for reference by the public. The files of The Palladium and of the Morning News have been in the library on similar conditions for a number of years.

## THE DUPLICATE COLLECTION.

In October a duplicate pay collection was started. Ten cents is charged for each book for any time under eight days and one cent additional for each day the book is kept out beyond one week. So brief a time elapsed since the collection was started that no conclusion can be drawn. But so far the experience has been much the same as that reported by other libraries which have tried the scheme. A good many people are willing to pay for the luxury of reading a new novel. In about three months the books are paid for by rentals and consequently can be added as duplicates to the free collection. Hence the general public who do not wish to pay for their opportunity of an early reading of a new novel will have a much better chance than they have had hitherto to find a new novel on the shelf. The number of books in the collection previous to Jan. 1, 1906, was 218. The expenses amounted to \$206.32. The receipts were \$141.20. At the writing of this report, Jan. 23, the receipts had amounted to the cost up to Jan. 1, indicating that the entire cost to date will soon be reached. A number of books have already been transferred to the free collection.

## VARIOUS NOTES.

The Bulletin was not issued during the year. So much money was required for the improvements in the building, that it seemed best to save the expense of the Bulletin.

Work with the schools has been continued and somewhat increased. The classes of the High School in particular make much use of the reference room. Applications for help in the selection of books for Sunday School libraries have been attended to by the Children's librarian. Reference lists have been made out for the mission classes and others.

A new 120 tray catalogue case was added. The time has come for another case for the children's catalogue also.

The practice of keeping the new books on the new book shelves, or rather of returning them to those shelves for some

time after the books are put into circulation continues to work well. New books scattered among 70,000 volumes are well nigh lost, except as the lists of new books enable one to get track of them. But there is no substitute for handling books oneself and frequently a book has a circulation many fold greater than it would have if it were not in sight.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIS K. STETSON.

## LIST OF DONORS, 1905.

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Allegheny, Pa., Carnegie Free Library.....	Report
Amherst College .....	1 volume
Atlanta, Ga., Carnegie Library.....	2 reports
Ashton-on-Tyne, Eng., Public Free Library.....	1 report
Baldwin, Hon. S. E.....	1 volume
Baltimore, Md., Enoch Pratt Free Library.....	1 report, bulletin
Bangor, Me., Public Library.....	1 report
Bangor and Aroostook R. R.....	1 volume
Bates College .....	1 bulletin
Boston Museum of Fine Arts.....	1 volume
Boston Public Library.....	1 volume, 2 reports, 2 bulletins
Boston Registry Department.....	2 volumes
Bourne, Prof. E. G.....	3 volumes
Bowdoin College.....	1 volume, 1 bulletin
Bradford, Pa., Carnegie Public Library.....	1 report
Brookline, Mass., Public Library.....	1 report
Brooklyn Public Library.....	2 bulletins, Book-list, 1 report
Brown and Sharpe Mfg. Co., Providence.....	1 volume
Buffalo (N. Y.) Public Library.....	1 report
Cambridge, Mass., Public Library.....	1 report, Bulletins
Carlisle, Pa., J. Herman Bosler Memorial Library.....	1 report
Chelsea, Mass., Fitz Public Library.....	1 report
Chicago, Department of Public Works.....	1 volume
Chicago Public Library.....	2 volumes, 1 report, 3 bulletins
Chicago University .....	12 volumes
Church of Latter Day Saints, First President of.....	1 volume
Cleveland, O., Public Library.....	1 report, 1 bulletin
Conference for education in the South.....	1 volume
Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station.....	1 volume
Connecticut Board of Charities.....	2 volumes
Connecticut Bureau of Labor Statistics.....	2 volumes
Connecticut General Assembly .....	1 volume
Connecticut Library Committee .....	1 volume
Connecticut Society of Civil Engineers.....	1 volume
Connecticut State Board of Health.....	1 volume
Connecticut State Historical Commission.....	1 Report

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Connecticut State Library .....	17 volumes
Dartmouth College .....	1 volume
Davis, W. A., City Clerk, Fitchburg, Mass.....	1 volume
Davis, R.....	1 volume
Denver, Col., Public Library.....	1 bulletin
Detroit, Mich., Public Library.....	1 report, 1 bulletin
Dickerman, E. D. and G. S.....	1 volume
District of Columbia Public Library.....	1 report, 1 booklist
Dodd, S. C. T.....	1 volume
Dover, N. H., Public Library.....	1 bulletin, 1 report
Drexel Institute .....	1 volume
Dunraven, Earl of.....	1 volume
Engineers Society, Western Pennsylvania.....	3 volumes
Erie, Pa., Public Library.....	1 Report
Evanston, Ill., Free Public Library.....	1 report
Field Columbian Museum.....	5 volumes
Finsbury Public Libraries.....	1 report
First Church of Christ, Scientist.....	3 volumes
First Connecticut Light Battery, Monument Association.....	1 volume
Fitch, Miss .....	33 volumes
Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, Vt.....	1 report
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass.....	2 reports
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen, N. Y.....	1 report
Gloversville, N. Y., Free Library.....	1 report
Goddard, George S.....	1 volume
Grand Rapids, Mich., Public Library.....	1 report
Great Britain Patent Office.....	39 volumes
Grout, E. M.....	1 volume
Hartford, Conn., Public Library.....	1 bulletin
Hartford Theological Seminary.....	1 volume
Hillhouse, Dr. W.....	23 volumes
Hine, Charles D.....	1 volume
Hoboken, N. J., Free Public Library.....	1 report
Holyoke, Mass., Public Library.....	1 bulletin
Idaho, State of .....	1 volume
Indianapolis, Ind., Public Library.....	1 bulletin
Indians Rights Association.....	1 volume
Interstate Commerce Commission.....	4 volumes
Jersey City, N. J., Free Public Library.....	1 report
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill.....	1 report
Lawrence, Mass., Public Library.....	1 report
Library of Congress.....	7 volumes
Lines, Mrs. E. J.....	1 volume
Los Angeles, Cal., Public Library.....	1 report, 1 bulletin

Lynn, Mass., Public Library.....	2 reports
Malden, Mass., Public Library.....	1 report, 1 bulletin
Manchester, N. H., City Library.....	1 volume, 1 report
Mansfield, B.....	4 volumes
Massachusetts Board of Gas and Electric Light Commission....	1 volume
Massachusetts Institute of Technology.....	1 volume
Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture.....	1 volume
Means, Rev. Dr. Stuart.....	1 volume
Medford, Mass., Public Library.....	1 report, 1 bulletin
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